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# MEMORANDUM

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ACTION: Secretary WASHINGTON IMMEDIATE

INFO: Ambassador BORN  
Ambassador KING  
Ambassador MOSCOW  
Ambassador TAIPEI  
WARSAW 3717

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SUBJECT: Contact with Communist China

REF: STATE 202020; WARSAW 3718

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Dated 5/

Applying Office

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**PARTIAL TRANSCRIPTION FOLLOWS**

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